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Honorable Paul G. Gardephe
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York
40 Foley Square
New York, NY 10007

Re: *United States v. Christopher Hammatt, et al.*, 19 Cr. 67 (PGG)

Dear Judge Gardephe,

The Government writes on behalf of all parties, and in response to a request from Your Honor's chambers, to respectfully request an adjournment of the April 10, 2020 pretrial conference in the above-referenced matter in light of the dangers and uncertainty concerning the COVID-19 virus. The parties request that the Court adjourn the pretrial conference until the week of May 18. The parties are available on the following dates: (i) May 19, 2020 after 3:00 p.m.; (ii) May 20, 2020 after 1:00 p.m.; and (iii) May 22, 2020 after 12:00 p.m.

The Government further requests, without objection from the parties, that time be prospectively excluded under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), and pursuant to Standing Order In Re: Coronavirus/COVID-19 Pandemic, No. 20 Misc. 154 (S.D.N.Y. Mar. 13, 2020), between April 10, 2020 and the date of the next pretrial conference.

Very truly yours,

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